

## CLAIMS

While the present invention has been described with respect to a limited number of embodiments, those skilled in the art will appreciate numerous modifications and variations therefrom. It is intended that the appended claims cover all such modifications and variations as fall within the true spirit and scope of this present invention. What is claimed is:

1. In a marine vehicle having a hull provided with a bow, a wave shock absorbing diffuser system incorporating structural means for absorbing wave shock comprising a plurality of forwardly mounted sections of predetermined width and length and arranged in spaced relationship to each other providing vertical channels between the structural members on the bow to retard wave progression towards the hull by diffusing the waves.